REPORT/RECOMMENDATION TO THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF SAN BERNARDINO COUNTY, CALIFORNIA AND RECORD OF ACTION

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March 30, 2004

FROM: GARY PENROD, Sheriff

Sheriff's Department

SUBJECT: GRANT APPLICATION TO THE INLAND REGIONAL NARCOTICS ENFORCEMENT

TEAM, OFFICE OF NATIONAL DRUG CONTROL POLICY - FEDERAL IDENTIFIER

NO. IÁPLAP530Z

RECOMMENDATION:

- 1. Approve Application for Federal Assistance, in the amount of \$676,136, to the Office of National Drug Control Policy (ONDCP) for the Inland Regional Narcotics Enforcement Team (IRNET).
- 2. Authorize the Sheriff to sign grant application on behalf of the County.

BACKGROUND INFORMATION: IRNET is a joint effort between the San Bernardino County Sheriff's Department and member agencies designed to identify, investigate and prosecute major drug trafficking organizations. Riverside Sheriff's Department, Redlands Police Department, San Bernardino Police Department and Alcohol Beverage Control each have one member on the task force and the remaining 14 members are from the San Bernardino County Sheriff's Department.

This is an ongoing grant award since 1997-98 that is evaluated annually for renewal. IRNET received the HIDTA (High Intensity Drug Trafficking Area) grant application from the ONDCP on March 10, 2004, to apply for \$676,136 for the period of January 1 through December 31, 2004. The County's portion of the funds would be \$621,079 to fund IRNET's overtime and operating expenses (building lease, telephone and radio expenses, vehicle repair and maintenance, equipment purchases, travel expenses, etc.). The remaining \$55,057 would be held in a trust account and would be paid to the member law enforcement agencies for the reimbursement of overtime costs associated with this project.

San Bernardino County Sheriff's Department, as the lead agency, must submit the application to the County Board of Supervisors for approval for the County and the member agencies. Under the terms of the proposed grant, no matching funds are required.

REVIEW AND APPROVAL BY OTHERS: This grant application has been reviewed and approved as to form by County Counsel (Kevin Norris, Deputy County Counsel, 387-5441) on March 22, 2004; and has been reviewed by the County Administrative Office (Laurie Rozko, Administrative Analyst, 387-8997) on March 22, 2004.

FINANCIAL IMPACT: There is no local cost impact related to this item. If awarded, the Department will return to the Board to accept the grant.

SUPERVISORIAL DISTRICT(S): All

PRESENTER: Richard Beemer, Captain, 387-3637

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